## 2016 LTA Projects Descriptions

**Sponsor:** Chicago Department of Transportation **Project:** Riverdale area transportation plan\*

**Description:** Develop a multimodal transportation plan for the Riverdale Community Area, which includes the Altgeld Gardens, Eden Green, and Riverdale neighborhoods. Led by the Chicago Department of Transportation, the plan would utilize the City of Chicago Complete Streets Policy and Pedestrian First Modal Hierarchy to develop recommendations for improving access to existing transit, recreation, and job opportunities. Major physical and sociodemographic barriers currently exist in the community area that makes it difficult for residents to walk, bike, or utilize transit.

**Sponsor:** City of Berwyn

Project: Stormwater management plan

**Description:** Build upon a draft stormwater planning concept, which was a 2014 project done in partnership with CMAP. The 2014 project identified areas in the City that have high occurrences of flooding, noted where green infrastructure projects would be most beneficial, and developed a methodology of scoring projects and project locations. This plan will move further into the planning process and implement these ideas while aligning with important elements of GO TO 2040.

**Sponsor:** City of Chicago Heights **Project:** Zoning code update

**Description:** Develop a zoning code update that will facilitate implementation of the recently adopted Chicago Heights Comprehensive Plan, created with CMAP. The plan recommended updating the city's Zoning Ordinance, which was last done in 1998.

**Sponsor:** City of Des Plaines **Project:** Comprehensive plan

**Description:** Seeks to develop a new comprehensive plan. The previous comprehensive plan was adopted in 2007 and a variety of developments have since occurred, which were not addressed in that plan. Updating the comprehensive plan was a recommendation of the Economic Development Initiative Opportunities & Recommendations Report (2013) and would serve to consolidate various planning efforts that have occurred since adoption of the previous comprehensive plan.

Sponsor: City of Harvard

**Project:** Unified development ordinance

**Description:** Prepare an update of development codes to implement the City's comprehensive plan. The ordinance update should implement the plan's intent to address quality of life issues and reverse trends of declining property values and lack of business investment.

Sponsor: Cook County Bureau of Economic Development

**Project:** Comprehensive growth plan

**Description:** In partnership with CMAP and numerous organizations, develop a comprehensive economic growth plan for the south suburbs. The plan is meant to address the economic challenges faced by south suburban Cook County.

Sponsor: Cook County Planning and Development

**Project:** Unincorporated areas plan

Description: Develop a subarea plan plan for a large unincorporated area in northern Cook

County, and demonstrated support from all of the adjacent municipalities.

Sponsor: DuPage County Stormwater Management

Project: Lower Salt Creek watershed plan

Description: In partnership with local groups, will lead a watershed plan for Lower Salt Creek,

extending from DuPage County into western Cook County.

Sponsor: Impact DuPage

**Project:** Affordable housing strategy

**Description:** A multi-agency group will receive assistance with scoping their efforts to improve affordable housing access in DuPage County. Partners include DuPage Housing Authority, the Continuum of Care, the DuPage Housing Action Council, DuPage Homeownership Center, the DuPage County Community Development Department, and HOPE Fair Housing.

**Sponsor:** McHenry County Planning and Development

**Project:** Fox River corridor study

**Description:** Create a Fox River corridor study in McHenry and Lake Counties building on CMAP's Fox River plan being developed for Algonquin and Carpentersville. The proposed plan would extend this planning effort northward with a similar focus on increasing access to the river, improving water quality and enhancing downtown areas.

**Sponsor:** Metropolitan Planning Council

**Project:** Great Rivers Chicago

**Description:** MPC's Great Rivers Chicago initiative is developing a vision and action agenda to maximize the potential of Chicago's rivers. MPC requests CMAP's assistance with stakeholder outreach targeting neighborhoods and organizations CMAP already has relationships with through previous LTA projects. MPC wishes to draw on CMAP's experience working in these communities to foster better engagement with the potential to advance previous LTA recommendations toward implementation. While the project is primarily within the City of Chicago, outreach to other suburban Cook County communities is also expected.

Sponsor: North Lawndale Community Coordinating Council

**Project:** Community comprehensive plan

**Description:** NLCCC is seeking assistance to develop a Comprehensive Community Plan for North Lawndale. Several other planning efforts have affected parts of the community recently, but the last comprehensive planning effort for the community was performed over 60 years ago.

**Sponsor:** Village of Beach Park **Project:** Planning priorities report

Description: Planning priorities report to identify planning priorities for Beach Park and

confirming local commitment to a future full-scale planning process.

**Sponsor:** Village of Hampshire **Project:** Planning priorities report

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confirming local commitment to a future full-scale planning process.

**Sponsor:** Village of Homer Glen **Project:** Plan Commissioner training

**Description:** The Village of Homer Glen is one of the youngest municipalities in Illinois (incorporated 2001) and is experiencing a strong growth phase. They are seeking LTA assistance to provide general training to its Plan Commission. This training would help support the Village Director's efforts to provide much needed professional training to the Plan Commission and would be beneficial in implementing the GO TO 2040 Comprehensive Plan.

**Sponsor:** Village of Lisle

**Project:** Downtown parking plan

**Description:** Create a downtown parking plan evaluating demand, supply, and management strategies. Lisle's downtown has experienced a number of changes since the last parking evaluation in 2004 and the village seeks assistance developing a plan responding to recent business recruitment efforts and an increasing number of downtown events.

**Sponsor:** Village of Midlothian **Project**: 147th Street corridor study

**Description:** Midlothian seeks assistance with a corridor plan for 147th Street (IL 83), focusing on stormwater management and placemaking. A 2011 Active Transportation Plan called for 147th Street to be a Complete Street, and a 2013 Green Infrastructure Plan suggests green infrastructure improvements around the train station on the street.

**Sponsor:** Village of Palos Park

**Project:** Trails plan

**Description:** In partnership with the Cook County Forest Preserve District, create a bicycle and pedestrian trail plan that examines Palos Park's connections and linkages to trails within the nearby Forest Preserves. The plan would also seek to create a network of trails that connect

residents to local businesses and institutions and create a public outreach and education plan for active transportation.

**Sponsor:** Village of Richmond **Project:** Planning priorities report

Description: Planning priorities report to identify planning priorities for Richmond and

confirming local commitment to a future full-scale planning process.

**Sponsor:** Village of Richton Park

Project: Stormwater management plan

**Description:** Develop a stormwater management plan to coincide with the recently completed (2014) Comprehensive Plan for Richton Park. There is a history of major flooding in the Village, and previous grants have addressed some flooding issues but not in all areas of the Village. The plan should focus in the growth area near I-57, with a recently established industrial park and approval of two new residential communities. Large commercial projects (a new Wal-Mart Supercenter has been approved immediately west of I-57) will create additional development interest in the area, leading to increased traffic. The Village needs a comprehensive stormwater management plan to assess and determine stormwater runoff needs and proper infrastructure placement.

**Sponsor:** Village of Romeoville **Project:** Comprehensive plan

**Description:** Develop a new comprehensive land use plan that will replace an outdated 2001 Land Use Plan and include a strong focus on implementation. This plan would direct future growth and development across a number of critical issues and areas in Romeoville such as development and housing.

**Sponsor:** Village of Wilmington

Project: Corridor plan

**Description:** Produce a corridor study on the Illinois Route 53 and Route 102 Gateway & Business Corridor approaching Wilmington's central business district. The proposed study would address land use and zoning and include implementation of recommendations from the Route 53 Corridor Plan which focused on tourism and economic development.

\*This project will also include the elements of an application submitted by the Safety and Transit Action Council.